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- AN ACT Relating to school safety; amending RCW 9.94A.390, 9.41.280,
- 2 43.43.830, and 10.97.030; reenacting and amending RCW 9.94A.030; adding
- 3 a new section to chapter 9A.28 RCW; adding a new section to chapter
- 4 9A.46 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 9A.52 RCW; adding a new
- 5 section to chapter 10.97 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 13.50
- 6 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 28A.600 RCW; creating a new
- 7 section; prescribing penalties; and declaring an emergency.
- 8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 9 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** (1) The children of this state have the
- 10 right to an effective public school education. Both students and staff
- 11 of the primary, elementary, junior, and senior high school campuses
- 12 have the constitutional right to be safe and secure in their persons at
- 13 school. However, children in many of our public schools are forced to
- 14 focus on the threat of violence and the messages of violence contained
- 15 in many aspects of our society, particularly reflected in gang regalia
- 16 that disrupts the teaching environment.
- 17 (2) Gang-related apparel is hazardous to the health and safety of
- 18 the school environment.

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- 1 (3) Weapons, including firearms and knives, remain a problem even 2 in our elementary school campuses. Students can conceal weapons by 3 wearing clothing such as jumpsuits and overcoats, and by carrying large 4 bags.
- 5 (4) The adoption of a schoolwide uniform policy is a reasonable way 6 to provide some protection for students. A required uniform may 7 protect students from being associated with any particular gang. 8 Moreover, by requiring schoolwide uniforms teachers and administrators 9 may not need to occupy as much of their time learning the subtleties of 10 gang regalia.
- 11 (5) Many educators believe that school dress significantly 12 influences student behavior. This influence is evident on school 13 dressup days and color days. Schools that have adopted school uniforms 14 experience a feeling of togetherness, greater school pride, and better 15 behavior in and out of t classroom.
- (6) In addition to personal safety, students must have a drug-free 16 17 learning environment that expressly prohibits the sale, use, or possession of illegal drugs on school property. Students involved in 18 19 drug-related activity are unable to fully benefit from educational 20 opportunities and disrupt the educational process for other students. Schools must be empowered to make decisions that positively impact 21 22 student learning and safety by eradicating drug use and possession on school grounds. This flexibility should also be afforded to schools as 23 24 they deal with alcohol and other harmful substance abuse by their 25 student populations.
 - Teachers have the right and obligation to control the conduct of students in their classrooms in order to ensure that the goal of educating students may be achieved. Disruptive behavior must not be allowed to continue to divert attention, time, and resources from educational activities. Teachers must be able to keep themselves, and the students in their care, safe from harm while in the classroom.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 9A.28 RCW to read as follows:
- 34 (1) A person who knowingly or intentionally actively participates 35 in a criminal gang commits criminal gang activity, a class C felony.
- 36 (2) For the purposes of this section, "criminal gang" means a 37 group with at least five members that specifically promotes, sponsors,

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- 1 assists in, or participates in, or requires as a condition of
- 2 membership or continued membership, the commission of a felony.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 9A.46 RCW 4 to read as follows:
- 5 A person who threatens another person because the other person
- 6 refuses to join a criminal gang, as defined in section 2 of this act,
- 7 or has attempted to withdraw from a criminal gang, commits criminal
- 8 gang intimidation, a class C felony.
- 9 **Sec. 4.** RCW 9.94A.030 and 1995 c 268 s 2, 1995 c 108 s 1, and 1995 10 c 101 s 2 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- 11 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in 12 this section apply throughout this chapter.
- (1) "Collect," or any derivative thereof, "collect and remit," or "collect and deliver," when used with reference to the department of corrections, means that the department is responsible for monitoring and enforcing the offender's sentence with regard to the legal financial obligation, receiving payment thereof from the offender, and, consistent with current law, delivering daily the entire payment to the superior court clerk without depositing it in a departmental account.
- 20 (2) "Commission" means the sentencing guidelines commission.
- 21 (3) "Community corrections officer" means an employee of the 22 department who is responsible for carrying out specific duties in 23 supervision of sentenced offenders and monitoring of sentence 24 conditions.
- 25 (4) "Community custody" means that portion of an inmate's sentence 26 of confinement in lieu of earned early release time or imposed pursuant 27 to RCW 9.94A.120(6) served in the community subject to controls placed 28 on the inmate's movement and activities by the department of 29 corrections.
- 30 (5) "Community placement" means that period during which the offender is subject to the conditions of community custody and/or postrelease supervision, which begins either upon completion of the term of confinement (postrelease supervision) or at such time as the offender is transferred to community custody in lieu of earned early release. Community placement may consist of entirely community custody, entirely postrelease supervision, or a combination of the two.

- 1 (6) "Community service" means compulsory service, without 2 compensation, performed for the benefit of the community by the 3 offender.
- 4 (7) "Community supervision" means a period of time during which a 5 convicted offender is subject to crime-related prohibitions and other sentence conditions imposed by a court pursuant to this chapter or RCW 6 7 16.52.200(6) or 46.61.524. For first-time offenders, the supervision 8 may include crime-related prohibitions and other conditions imposed 9 pursuant to RCW 9.94A.120(5). For purposes of the interstate compact 10 for out-of-state supervision of parolees and probationers, RCW 9.95.270, community supervision is the functional equivalent of 11 probation and should be considered the same as probation by other 12 13 states.
- 14 (8) "Confinement" means total or partial confinement as defined in this section.
- (9) "Conviction" means an adjudication of guilt pursuant to Titles
 10 or 13 RCW and includes a verdict of guilty, a finding of guilty, and
 acceptance of a plea of guilty.
- 19 (10) "Court-ordered legal financial obligation" means a sum of money that is ordered by a superior court of the state of Washington 20 for legal financial obligations which may include restitution to the 21 statutorily imposed crime victims' compensation fees as 22 assessed pursuant to RCW 7.68.035, court costs, county or interlocal 23 24 drug funds, court-appointed attorneys' fees, and costs of defense, 25 fines, and any other financial obligation that is assessed to the 26 offender as a result of a felony conviction. Upon conviction for 27 vehicular assault while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug, RCW 46.61.522(1)(b), or vehicular homicide while under the 28 29 influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug, RCW 46.61.520(1)(a), 30 legal financial obligations may also include payment to a public agency of the expense of an emergency response to the incident resulting in 31 the conviction, subject to the provisions in RCW 38.52.430. 32
- 33 (11) "Crime-related prohibition" means an order of a court 34 prohibiting conduct that directly relates to the circumstances of the 35 crime for which the offender has been convicted, and shall not be 36 construed to mean orders directing an offender affirmatively to 37 participate in rehabilitative programs or to otherwise perform 38 affirmative conduct.

- 1 (12) "Criminal gang" means a group with at least five members that
 2 specifically promotes, sponsors, assists in, or participates in, or
 3 requires as a condition of membership or continued membership, the
 4 commission of a felony.
- 5 (13)(a) "Criminal history" means the list of a defendant's prior 6 convictions, whether in this state, in federal court, or elsewhere. 7 The history shall include, where known, for each conviction (i) whether 8 the defendant has been placed on probation and the length and terms 9 thereof; and (ii) whether the defendant has been incarcerated and the 10 length of incarceration.
- (b) "Criminal history" shall always include juvenile convictions 11 for sex offenses and serious violent offenses and shall also include a 12 defendant's other prior convictions in juvenile court if: (i) The 13 conviction was for an offense which is a felony or a serious traffic 14 15 offense and is criminal history as defined in RCW 13.40.020(9); (ii) 16 the defendant was fifteen years of age or older at the time the offense 17 was committed; and (iii) with respect to prior juvenile class B and C felonies or serious traffic offenses, the defendant was less than 18 19 twenty-three years of age at the time the offense for which he or she 20 is being sentenced was committed.
- (((13))) <u>(14)</u> "Day fine" means a fine imposed by the sentencing judge that equals the difference between the offender's net daily income and the reasonable obligations that the offender has for the support of the offender and any dependents.
 - ((\(\frac{(14)}{14}\))) (15) "Day reporting" means a program of enhanced supervision designed to monitor the defendant's daily activities and compliance with sentence conditions, and in which the defendant is required to report daily to a specific location designated by the department or the sentencing judge.
- $((\frac{15}{15}))$ (16) "Department" means the department of corrections.
- 31 $((\frac{16}{16}))$ (17) "Determinate sentence" means a sentence that states with exactitude the number of actual years, months, or days of total 32 confinement, of partial confinement, of community supervision, the 33 34 number of actual hours or days of community service work, or dollars or 35 terms of a legal financial obligation. The fact that an offender through "earned early release" can reduce the actual period of 36 37 confinement shall not affect the classification of the sentence as a determinate sentence. 38

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- $((\frac{17}{17}))$ (18) "Disposable earnings" means that part of the earnings 1 2 of an individual remaining after the deduction from those earnings of any amount required by law to be withheld. For the purposes of this 3 4 definition, "earnings" means compensation paid or payable for personal 5 services, whether denominated as wages, salary, commission, bonuses, or otherwise, and, notwithstanding any other provision of law making the 6 7 payments exempt from garnishment, attachment, or other process to 8 satisfy a court-ordered legal financial obligation, specifically 9 includes periodic payments pursuant to pension or retirement programs, 10 or insurance policies of any type, but does not include payments made under Title 50 RCW, except as provided in RCW 50.40.020 and 50.40.050, 11 or Title 74 RCW. 12
- 13 $((\frac{18}{18}))$ <u>(19)</u> "Drug offense" means:
- (a) Any felony violation of chapter 69.50 RCW except possession of a controlled substance (RCW 69.50.401(d)) or forged prescription for a controlled substance (RCW 69.50.403);
- 17 (b) Any offense defined as a felony under federal law that relates 18 to the possession, manufacture, distribution, or transportation of a 19 controlled substance; or
- (c) Any out-of-state conviction for an offense that under the laws of this state would be a felony classified as a drug offense under (a) of this subsection.
- 23 $((\frac{19}{19}))$ (20) "Escape" means:
- (a) Escape in the first degree (RCW 9A.76.110), escape in the second degree (RCW 9A.76.120), willful failure to return from furlough (RCW 72.66.060), willful failure to return from work release (RCW 72.65.070), or willful failure to be available for supervision by the department while in community custody (RCW 72.09.310); or
- 29 (b) Any federal or out-of-state conviction for an offense that 30 under the laws of this state would be a felony classified as an escape 31 under (a) of this subsection.
- 32 (((20))) (21) "Felony traffic offense" means:
- 33 (a) Vehicular homicide (RCW 46.61.520), vehicular assault (RCW 34 46.61.522), eluding a police officer (RCW 46.61.024), or felony hit-35 and-run injury-accident (RCW 46.52.020(4)); or
- 36 (b) Any federal or out-of-state conviction for an offense that 37 under the laws of this state would be a felony classified as a felony 38 traffic offense under (a) of this subsection.

- 1 $((\frac{21}{21}))$ (22) "Fines" means the requirement that the offender pay 2 a specific sum of money over a specific period of time to the court.
- 3 $((\frac{(22)}{2}))$ $\underline{(23)}$ (a) "First-time offender" means any person who is 4 convicted of a felony (i) not classified as a violent offense or a sex
- 5 offense under this chapter, or (ii) that is not the manufacture,
- 6 delivery, or possession with intent to manufacture or deliver a
- 7 controlled substance classified in schedule I or II that is a narcotic
- 8 drug, nor the manufacture, delivery, or possession with intent to
- 9 deliver methamphetamine, its salts, isomers, and salts of its isomers
- 10 as defined in RCW 69.50.206(d)(2), nor the selling for profit of any
- 11 controlled substance or counterfeit substance classified in schedule I,
- 12 RCW 69.50.204, except leaves and flowering tops of marihuana, and
- 13 except as provided in (b) of this subsection, who previously has never
- 14 been convicted of a felony in this state, federal court, or another
- 15 state, and who has never participated in a program of deferred
- 16 prosecution for a felony offense.
- 17 (b) For purposes of (a) of this subsection, a juvenile adjudication
- 18 for an offense committed before the age of fifteen years is not a
- 19 previous felony conviction except for adjudications of sex offenses and
- 20 serious violent offenses.
- 21 $((\frac{(23)}{)})$ <u>(24)</u> "Most serious offense" means any of the following
- 22 felonies or a felony attempt to commit any of the following felonies,
- 23 as now existing or hereafter amended:
- 24 (a) Any felony defined under any law as a class A felony or
- 25 criminal solicitation of or criminal conspiracy to commit a class A
- 26 felony;
- 27 (b) Assault in the second degree;
- 28 (c) Assault of a child in the second degree;
- 29 (d) Child molestation in the second degree;
- 30 (e) Controlled substance homicide;
- 31 (f) Extortion in the first degree;
- 32 (g) Incest when committed against a child under age fourteen;
- 33 (h) Indecent liberties;
- 34 (i) Kidnapping in the second degree;
- 35 (j) Leading organized crime;
- 36 (k) Manslaughter in the first degree;
- 37 (1) Manslaughter in the second degree;
- 38 (m) Promoting prostitution in the first degree;
- 39 (n) Rape in the third degree;

- 1 (o) Robbery in the second degree;
- 2 (p) Sexual exploitation;
- 3 (q) Vehicular assault;
- 4 (r) Vehicular homicide, when proximately caused by the driving of 5 any vehicle by any person while under the influence of intoxicating 6 liquor or any drug as defined by RCW 46.61.502, or by the operation of
- 7 any vehicle in a reckless manner;
- 8 (s) Any other class B felony offense with a finding of sexual 9 motivation, as "sexual motivation" is defined under this section;
- 10 (t) Any other felony with a deadly weapon verdict under RCW 11 9.94A.125;
- 12 (u) Any felony offense in effect at any time prior to December 2,
- 13 1993, that is comparable to a most serious offense under this
- 14 subsection, or any federal or out-of-state conviction for an offense
- 15 that under the laws of this state would be a felony classified as a
- 16 most serious offense under this subsection.
- 17 $((\frac{24}{1}))$ (25) "Nonviolent offense" means an offense which is not a 18 violent offense.
- 19 $((\frac{(25)}{)})$ (26) "Offender" means a person who has committed a felony
- 20 established by state law and is eighteen years of age or older or is
- 21 less than eighteen years of age but whose case has been transferred by
- 22 the appropriate juvenile court to a criminal court pursuant to RCW
- 23 13.40.110. Throughout this chapter, the terms "offender" and
- 24 "defendant" are used interchangeably.
- $((\frac{(26)}{)}))$ (27) "Partial confinement" means confinement for no more
- 26 than one year in a facility or institution operated or utilized under
- 27 contract by the state or any other unit of government, or, if home
- 28 detention or work crew has been ordered by the court, in an approved
- 29 residence, for a substantial portion of each day with the balance of
- 30 the day spent in the community. Partial confinement includes work
- 31 release, home detention, work crew, and a combination of work crew and
- 32 home detention as defined in this section.
- $((\frac{(27)}{)}))$ (28) "Persistent offender" is an offender who:
- 34 (a) Has been convicted in this state of any felony considered a
- 35 most serious offense; and
- 36 (b) Has, before the commission of the offense under (a) of this
- 37 subsection, been convicted as an offender on at least two separate
- 38 occasions, whether in this state or elsewhere, of felonies that under
- 39 the laws of this state would be considered most serious offenses and

- 1 would be included in the offender score under RCW 9.94A.360; provided
- 2 that of the two or more previous convictions, at least one conviction
- 3 must have occurred before the commission of any of the other most
- 4 serious offenses for which the offender was previously convicted.
- 5 $((\frac{28}{28}))$ "Postrelease supervision" is that portion of an 6 offender's community placement that is not community custody.
- 7 $((\frac{29}{29}))$ (30) "Restitution" means the requirement that the offender
- 8 pay a specific sum of money over a specific period of time to the court
- 9 as payment of damages. The sum may include both public and private
- 10 costs. The imposition of a restitution order does not preclude civil
- 11 redress.
- 12 (((30))) (31) "Serious traffic offense" means:
- 13 (a) Driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any
- 14 drug (RCW 46.61.502), actual physical control while under the influence
- 15 of intoxicating liquor or any drug (RCW 46.61.504), reckless driving
- 16 (RCW 46.61.500), or hit-and-run an attended vehicle (RCW 46.52.020(5));
- 17 or
- 18 (b) Any federal, out-of-state, county, or municipal conviction for
- 19 an offense that under the laws of this state would be classified as a
- 20 serious traffic offense under (a) of this subsection.
- 21 (((31))) (32) "Serious violent offense" is a subcategory of violent
- 22 offense and means:
- 23 (a) Murder in the first degree, homicide by abuse, murder in the
- 24 second degree, assault in the first degree, kidnapping in the first
- 25 degree, or rape in the first degree, assault of a child in the first
- 26 degree, or an attempt, criminal solicitation, or criminal conspiracy to
- 27 commit one of these felonies; or
- 28 (b) Any federal or out-of-state conviction for an offense that
- 29 under the laws of this state would be a felony classified as a serious
- 30 violent offense under (a) of this subsection.
- 31 (((32))) (33) "Sentence range" means the sentencing court's
- 32 discretionary range in imposing a nonappealable sentence.
- $((\frac{33}{3}))$ (34) "Sex offense" means:
- 34 (a) A felony that is a violation of chapter 9A.44 RCW or RCW
- 35 9A.64.020 or 9.68A.090 or a felony that is, under chapter 9A.28 RCW, a
- 36 criminal attempt, criminal solicitation, or criminal conspiracy to
- 37 commit such crimes;
- 38 (b) A felony with a finding of sexual motivation under RCW
- 39 9.94A.127 or 13.40.135; or

- 1 (c) Any federal or out-of-state conviction for an offense that 2 under the laws of this state would be a felony classified as a sex 3 offense under (a) of this subsection.
- 4 (((34))) (35) "Sexual motivation" means that one of the purposes 5 for which the defendant committed the crime was for the purpose of his 6 or her sexual gratification.
- 7 (((35))) <u>(36)</u> "Total confinement" means confinement inside the 8 physical boundaries of a facility or institution operated or utilized 9 under contract by the state or any other unit of government for twenty-10 four hours a day, or pursuant to RCW 72.64.050 and 72.64.060.
- 11 (((36))) (<u>37)</u> "Transition training" means written and verbal 12 instructions and assistance provided by the department to the offender 13 during the two weeks prior to the offender's successful completion of 14 the work ethic camp program. The transition training shall include 15 instructions in the offender's requirements and obligations during the 16 offender's period of community custody.
- $((\frac{37}{1}))$ $\underline{(38)}$ "Victim" means any person who has sustained emotional, psychological, physical, or financial injury to person or property as a direct result of the crime charged.
- 20 $((\frac{38}{39}))$ "Violent offense" means:
- (a) Any of the following felonies, as now existing or hereafter 21 amended: Any felony defined under any law as a class A felony or an 22 attempt to commit a class A felony, criminal solicitation of or 23 24 criminal conspiracy to commit a class A felony, manslaughter in the 25 first degree, manslaughter in the second degree, indecent liberties if 26 committed by forcible compulsion, kidnapping in the second degree, 27 arson in the second degree, assault in the second degree, assault of a child in the second degree, extortion in the first degree, robbery in 28 29 the second degree, vehicular assault, and vehicular homicide, when 30 proximately caused by the driving of any vehicle by any person while 31 under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug as defined by RCW 46.61.502, or by the operation of any vehicle in a reckless manner; 32
- 33 (b) Any conviction for a felony offense in effect at any time prior 34 to July 1, 1976, that is comparable to a felony classified as a violent 35 offense in (a) of this subsection; and
- 36 (c) Any federal or out-of-state conviction for an offense that 37 under the laws of this state would be a felony classified as a violent 38 offense under (a) or (b) of this subsection.

- (((39))) (40) "Work crew" means a program of partial confinement 1 consisting of civic improvement tasks for the benefit of the community 2 of not less than thirty-five hours per week that complies with RCW 3 4 9.94A.135. The civic improvement tasks shall have minimal negative impact on existing private industries or the labor force in the county 5 where the service or labor is performed. The civic improvement tasks 6 7 shall not affect employment opportunities for people with developmental 8 disabilities contracted through sheltered workshops as defined in RCW 9 82.04.385. Only those offenders sentenced to a facility operated or 10 utilized under contract by a county or the state are eligible to participate on a work crew. Offenders sentenced for a sex offense as 11 defined in subsection (((33))) of this section are not eligible 12 13 for the work crew program.
- 14 (((40))) (41) "Work ethic camp" means an alternative incarceration 15 program designed to reduce recidivism and lower the cost of corrections by requiring offenders to complete a comprehensive array of real-world 16 17 job and vocational experiences, character-building work skills development, 18 training, life management substance abuse 19 rehabilitation, counseling, literacy training, and basic adult 20 education.
 - ((41))) <u>(42)</u> "Work release" means a program of partial confinement available to offenders who are employed or engaged as a student in a regular course of study at school. Participation in work release shall be conditioned upon the offender attending work or school at regularly defined hours and abiding by the rules of the work release facility.
- (((42))) (43) "Home detention" means a program of partial confinement available to offenders wherein the offender is confined in a private residence subject to electronic surveillance.
- 29 **Sec. 5.** RCW 9.94A.390 and 1995 c 316 s 2 are each amended to read 30 as follows:
- If the sentencing court finds that an exceptional sentence outside the standard range should be imposed in accordance with RCW 33 9.94A.120(2), the sentence is subject to review only as provided for in RCW 9.94A.210(4).
- The following are illustrative factors which the court may consider in the exercise of its discretion to impose an exceptional sentence. The following are illustrative only and are not intended to be exclusive reasons for exceptional sentences.

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(1) Mitigating Circumstances

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- 2 (a) To a significant degree, the victim was an initiator, willing 3 participant, aggressor, or provoker of the incident.
- 4 (b) Before detection, the defendant compensated, or made a good 5 faith effort to compensate, the victim of the criminal conduct for any 6 damage or injury sustained.
- 7 (c) The defendant committed the crime under duress, coercion, 8 threat, or compulsion insufficient to constitute a complete defense but 9 which significantly affected his or her conduct.
- 10 (d) The defendant, with no apparent predisposition to do so, was 11 induced by others to participate in the crime.
- (e) The defendant's capacity to appreciate the wrongfulness of his or her conduct or to conform his or her conduct to the requirements of the law, was significantly impaired (voluntary use of drugs or alcohol is excluded).
- (f) The offense was principally accomplished by another person and the defendant manifested extreme caution or sincere concern for the safety or well-being of the victim.
- 19 (g) The operation of the multiple offense policy of RCW 9.94A.400 20 results in a presumptive sentence that is clearly excessive in light of 21 the purpose of this chapter, as expressed in RCW 9.94A.010.
- (h) The defendant or the defendant's children suffered a continuing pattern of physical or sexual abuse by the victim of the offense and the offense is a response to that abuse.
 - (2) Aggravating Circumstances
- 26 (a) The defendant's conduct during the commission of the current 27 offense manifested deliberate cruelty to the victim.
- (b) The defendant knew or should have known that the victim of the current offense was particularly vulnerable or incapable of resistance due to extreme youth, advanced age, disability, or ill health.
- 31 (c) The current offense was a major economic offense or series of 32 offenses, so identified by a consideration of any of the following 33 factors:
- (i) The current offense involved multiple victims or multiple incidents per victim;
- (ii) The current offense involved attempted or actual monetary loss substantially greater than typical for the offense;
- 38 (iii) The current offense involved a high degree of sophistication 39 or planning or occurred over a lengthy period of time; or

- 1 (iv) The defendant used his or her position of trust, confidence, 2 or fiduciary responsibility to facilitate the commission of the current 3 offense.
- 4 (d) The current offense was a major violation of the Uniform 5 Controlled Substances Act, chapter 69.50 RCW (VUCSA), related to 6 trafficking in controlled substances, which was more onerous than the 7 typical offense of its statutory definition: The presence of ANY of 8 the following may identify a current offense as a major VUCSA:
- 9 (i) The current offense involved at least three separate 10 transactions in which controlled substances were sold, transferred, or 11 possessed with intent to do so;
- (ii) The current offense involved an attempted or actual sale or transfer of controlled substances in quantities substantially larger than for personal use;
- 15 (iii) The current offense involved the manufacture of controlled 16 substances for use by other parties;
- 17 (iv) The circumstances of the current offense reveal the offender 18 to have occupied a high position in the drug distribution hierarchy;
- (v) The current offense involved a high degree of sophistication or planning or occurred over a lengthy period of time or involved a broad geographic area of disbursement; or
- (vi) The offender used his or her position or status to facilitate the commission of the current offense, including positions of trust, confidence or fiduciary responsibility (e.g., pharmacist, physician, or other medical professional).
- 26 (e) The current offense included a finding of sexual motivation 27 pursuant to RCW 9.94A.127.
- (f) The offense was part of an ongoing pattern of sexual abuse of the same victim under the age of eighteen years manifested by multiple incidents over a prolonged period of time.
- 31 (g) The operation of the multiple offense policy of RCW 9.94A.400 32 results in a presumptive sentence that is clearly too lenient in light 33 of the purpose of this chapter, as expressed in RCW 9.94A.010.
- (h) The defendant's prior unscored misdemeanor or prior unscored foreign criminal history results in a presumptive sentence that is clearly too lenient in light of the purpose of this chapter as expressed in RCW 9.94A.010.
- (i) The offense was committed for the benefit of, at the direction
 of, or in association with any criminal gang as defined in RCW

- 1 9.94A.030, with the specific intent to promote, further, or assist in
- 2 any criminal conduct by gang members.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 6.** A new section is added to chapter 9A.52 RCW 4 to read as follows:
- 5 (1) Any person who is not a currently enrolled student, parent, 6 guardian, or immediate family member of such student, or school board 7 member or school employee and who enters on public or private primary 8 or secondary school premises at any time without authorization from the 9 school principal, school superintendent, or one of their designees 10 commits school grounds trespass, a gross misdemeanor.
- 11 (2) In any prosecution under subsection (1) of this section, it is 12 a defense that:
- 13 (a) The premises had been publicly announced as being open to 14 members of the public and the person complied with all lawful 15 conditions imposed on access to or remaining in the premises; or
- 16 (b) The person was attempting to serve legal process, which 17 includes any document required or allowed to be served upon persons or 18 property, by any statute, rule, ordinance, regulation, or court order. 19 This defense applies only if the entry onto the school grounds was 20 reasonable and necessary for service of the legal process.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. A new section is added to chapter 10.97 RCW to read as follows:
- (1) Whenever a minor enrolled in any primary or secondary school is charged with any of the following offenses, the prosecuting attorney shall notify the parents or legal guardian of the student and the principal of the school of the charge and disposition of the case:
 - (a) A violent offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030;
 - (b) A sex offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030;
- 29 (c) Inhaling toxic fumes under chapter 9.47A RCW;
- 30 (d) A controlled substances violation under chapter 69.50 RCW;
- 31 (e) A liquor violation under RCW 66.44.270;
- 32 (f) A gang-related crime under section 2 of this act.
- 33 (2) The principal shall provide the information received under 34 subsection (1) of this section to every teacher of any student who has 35 been charged with a crime listed in subsection (1) of this section.
- 36 The principal shall provide the information to the teachers based on

- any written records that the principal maintains or receives from a law enforcement agency regarding such a student.
- 3 (3) Any information received by a principal or teacher under this 4 section shall be received in confidence for the limited purpose for 5 which it was provided and shall not be further disseminated by the 6 principal or teacher.
- NEW SECTION. **Sec. 8.** A new section is added to chapter 13.50 RCW to read as follows:
- 9 (1) Whenever a minor enrolled in any primary or secondary school is 10 charged with any of the following offenses, the prosecuting attorney 11 shall notify the parents or legal guardian of the student and the 12 principal of the school of the charge and disposition of the case:
 - (a) A violent offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030;
- 14 (b) A sex offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030;
- 15 (c) Inhaling toxic fumes under chapter 9.47A RCW;
- 16 (d) A controlled substances violation under chapter 69.50 RCW;
- 17 (e) A liquor violation under RCW 66.44.270;
- 18 (f) A gang-related crime under section 2 of this act.
- 19 (2) The principal shall provide the information received under 20 subsection (1) of this section to every teacher of any student who has 21 been charged with a crime listed in subsection (1) of this section. 22 The principal shall provide the information to the teachers based on 23 any written records that the principal maintains or receives from a law 24 enforcement agency regarding such a student.
- 25 (3) Any information received by a principal or teacher under this 26 section shall be received in confidence for the limited purpose for 27 which it was provided and shall not be further disseminated by the 28 principal or teacher.
- NEW SECTION. **Sec. 9.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.600 RCW to read as follows:
- Every teacher shall endeavor to hold every student to a strict accountability for any disorderly conduct in school or on school
- 33 grounds, on the street or road while going to or returning from school,
- 34 or on a school bus. Drug and gang activity is disruptive to the
- 35 educational process. To further the goal of educating students, school
- 36 districts shall adopt policies establishing zero tolerance of illegal

- 1 drug and gang activity on school grounds. Such policies shall provide
- 2 for at least the following:
- 3 (1) Each teacher may take disciplinary action to correct a student
- 4 who disrupts normal classroom activities, who is disrespectful to a
- 5 teacher, who willfully disobeys a teacher, who uses abusive or foul
- 6 language directed at a teacher or another student, who violates school
- 7 rules, or who interferes with an orderly education process.
- 8 Disciplinary action may include but is not limited to: Oral or written
- 9 reprimands; written notification to parents of disruptive behavior, a
- 10 copy of which shall be provided to the principal; and suspension or
- 11 expulsion. A teacher may suspend a student from the teacher's
- 12 classroom:
- 13 (a) For the day of the suspension and the following two days when
- 14 there are reasonable grounds to believe the student has engaged in any
- 15 of the following activities in the classroom:
- 16 (i) Inhaling toxic fumes under chapter 9.47A RCW, or a controlled
- 17 substances violation under RCW 69.50.401 through 69.50.412 or
- 18 69.50.415;
- 19 (ii) A liquor violation under RCW 66.44.270;
- 20 (iii) Any violation of school rules or regulations governing
- 21 student conduct that is in furtherance of a criminal gang as defined in
- 22 section 2 of this act;
- 23 (iv) Possession of a knife;
- (v) Crimes listed in chapter 9A.48 or 9A.56 RCW in regard to any
- 25 school property or property of a teacher or another student;
- 26 (vi) Possession of drug paraphernalia as described in RCW
- 27 69.50.102;
- 28 (vii) Possession of a paging telecommunications device that emits
- 29 an audible signal, vibrates, displays a message, or otherwise summons
- 30 or delivers a communication to the possessor; or
- 31 (viii) Possession of a cellular or portable telephone.
- 32 (b) Permanently from the teacher's classroom, for any activity that
- 33 would constitute an offense under chapter 9A.36, 9A.40, or 9A.48 RCW,
- 34 when the activity is directed toward the teacher. The principal shall
- 35 also determine whether the student should be suspended from the school
- 36 for ten days.
- 37 (2) Suspensions from a classroom are to the custody of the
- 38 principal or his or her designee. A student removed from the classroom
- 39 under this section shall not receive credit for school work missed.

- (3) Within twenty-four hours of a suspension by a teacher under 1 2 subsection (1) of this section, the teacher shall report to the principal in writing a statement of the circumstances surrounding the 3 4 The principal of the school shall notify the parents or 5 legal guardian of the child within twenty-four hours of the suspension and schedule a conference with the parents, principal, and teacher 6 7 within two weeks. Failure of a parent to appear at the conference 8 shall result in extension of the suspension of the student until a 9 parent or legal guardian appears.
- (4) On the second instance of an activity listed in subsection (1)(a)(i) through (viii) of this section after a suspension under subsection (1) of this section by the same or different teacher as in the first instance within the preceding three-year period, the principal of the school shall determine whether the student should be suspended from the school for a school week.
- (5) On the third instance of an activity listed in subsection (1)(a) of this section and after two suspensions under subsection (1) of this section by the same or different teachers as in the first and second instance within the preceding three-year period, the principal of the school shall determine whether the student should be permanently expelled from the school.
- 22 (6) Suspensions and expulsions under this section must be conducted 23 in a manner that meets the minimum due process rights of students and 24 teachers.
- (7) A student suspended for damages to any property belonging to 25 26 the school, a contractor to the school, a school employee, or another 27 student shall not be readmitted until payment in full has been made for such damage or until directed by the superintendent of schools. If the 28 property damaged is a school bus owned by or contracted to any school 29 30 district, a student suspended for such damage shall not be permitted to enter or ride any school bus until payment in full has been made for 31 such damage or until directed by the superintendent. 32
- 33 **Sec. 10.** RCW 9.41.280 and 1995 c 87 s 1 are each amended to read 34 as follows:
- 35 (1) It is unlawful for a person to carry onto, or to possess on, 36 public or private elementary or secondary school premises, school-37 provided transportation, or areas of facilities while being used 38 exclusively by public or private schools:

- 1 (a) Any firearm;
- 2 (b) Any other dangerous weapon as defined in RCW 9.41.250;
- 3 (c) Any device commonly known as "nun-chu-ka sticks", consisting of 4 two or more lengths of wood, metal, plastic, or similar substance 5 connected with wire, rope, or other means;
- 6 (d) Any device, commonly known as "throwing stars", which are 7 multi-pointed, metal objects designed to embed upon impact from any 8 aspect; ((or))
- 9 (e) Any air gun, including any air pistol or air rifle, designed to 10 propel a BB, pellet, or other projectile by the discharge of compressed 11 air, carbon dioxide, or other gas; or
- 12 <u>(f) Any knife capable of being used to inflict serious bodily</u> 13 <u>injury</u>.
- (2) Any such person violating subsection (1) of this section is guilty of a gross misdemeanor. If any person is convicted of a violation of subsection (1)(a) of this section, the person shall lose his or her concealed pistol license, if any. The court shall send notice of the revocation to the department of licensing, and the city, town, or county which issued the license.
- Any violation of subsection (1) of this section by elementary or secondary school students constitutes grounds for expulsion from the state's public schools in accordance with RCW 28A.600.010. An appropriate school authority shall promptly notify law enforcement and the student's parent or guardian regarding any allegation or indication of such violation.
 - (3) Subsection (1) of this section does not apply to:
- 27 (a) Any student or employee of a private military academy when on 28 the property of the academy;
- 29 (b) Any person engaged in military, law enforcement, or school 30 district security activities;
- 31 (c) Any person who is involved in a convention, showing, 32 demonstration, lecture, or firearms safety course authorized by school 33 authorities in which the firearms of collectors or instructors are 34 handled or displayed;
- 35 (d) Any person while the person is participating in a firearms or 36 air gun competition approved by the school or school district;
- 37 (e) Any person in possession of a pistol who has been issued a 38 license under RCW 9.41.070, or is exempt from the licensing requirement 39 by RCW 9.41.060, while picking up or dropping off a student;

- 1 (f) Any nonstudent at least eighteen years of age legally in 2 possession of a firearm or dangerous weapon that is secured within an 3 attended vehicle or concealed from view within a locked unattended 4 vehicle while conducting legitimate business at the school;
- 5 (g) Any nonstudent at least eighteen years of age who is in lawful 6 possession of an unloaded firearm, secured in a vehicle while 7 conducting legitimate business at the school; ((or))
- 8 (h) Any law enforcement officer of the federal, state, or local 9 government agency; or
- 10 <u>(i) Any person in possession of a knife provided by the school for</u>
 11 use in a school cafeteria, lunchroom, or kitchen.
- (4) Subsections (1)(c) and (d) of this section do not apply to any person who possesses nun-chu-ka sticks, throwing stars, or other dangerous weapons to be used in martial arts classes authorized to be conducted on the school premises.
- 16 (5) Except as provided in subsection (3)(b), (c), (f), and (h) of 17 this section, firearms are not permitted in a public or private school 18 building.
- 19 (6) "GUN-FREE ZONE" signs shall be posted around school facilities 20 giving warning of the prohibition of the possession of firearms on 21 school grounds.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. A new section is added to chapter 28A.600 RCW to read as follows:
- (1)(a) The governing board of any school district may adopt or rescind a reasonable dress code policy that requires students to wear a schoolwide uniform or prohibits students from wearing gang-related apparel if the governing board of the school district approves a plan that may be initiated by an individual school's principal, staff, and parents and determines that the policy is necessary for the health and safety of the school environment.
- 31 (b) The school district shall hold a public hearing and consider 32 the adoption of such policies if the district receives a petition 33 signed by the parents or guardians of twenty percent or more of the 34 district's students petitioning for such a policy.
- 35 (2)(a) The principal of any school may adopt or rescind a 36 reasonable dress code policy that requires students to wear a 37 schoolwide uniform or prohibits students from wearing gang-related 38 apparel that may be initiated by an individual school's principal,

- staff, and parents of students within the school if the principal determines the policy is necessary for the health and safety of the school environment.
- 4 (b) The principal shall hold a public hearing and consider the 5 adoption of such policies if the principal receives a petition signed 6 by the parents or guardians of twenty percent or more of the district's 7 students petitioning for such a policy.
- 8 (3) If a schoolwide uniform is required, the specific uniform 9 selected shall be determined by the principal, staff, and parents of 10 the individual school.
- (4) A dress code policy that requires students to wear a schoolwide uniform shall not be implemented with less than six months' notice to parents. If students are required to wear uniforms, the school district shall accommodate students so that the uniform requirement is not an unfair barrier to school attendance and participation.
- (5) A policy adopted pursuant to this section shall not preclude students who participate in a nationally recognized youth organization from wearing organization uniforms on days that the organization has a scheduled meeting.
- 20 **Sec. 12.** RCW 43.43.830 and 1995 c 250 s 1 are each amended to read 21 as follows:
- Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout RCW 43.43.830 through 43.43.840.
- 24 (1) "Applicant" means:
- 25 (a) Any prospective employee who will or may have unsupervised 26 access to children under sixteen years of age or developmentally 27 disabled persons or vulnerable adults during the course of his or her 28 employment or involvement with the business or organization;
- 29 (b) Any prospective volunteer who will have regularly scheduled 30 unsupervised access to children under sixteen years of developmentally disabled persons, or vulnerable adults during the 31 32 course of his or her employment or involvement with the business or 33 organization under circumstances where such access will or may involve 34 groups of (i) five or fewer children under twelve years of age, (ii) three or fewer children between twelve and sixteen years of age, (iii) 35 36 developmentally disabled persons, or (iv) vulnerable adults; ((or))
- 37 (c) Any prospective adoptive parent, as defined in RCW 26.33.020: 38 or

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- 1 (d) Any student or prospective student to a public or private 2 primary or secondary school.
 - (2) "Business or organization" means a business or organization licensed in this state, any agency of the state, or other governmental entity, that educates, trains, treats, supervises, houses, or provides recreation to developmentally disabled persons, vulnerable adults, or children under sixteen years of age, including but not limited to public housing authorities, school districts, and educational service districts.
- (3) "Civil adjudication" means a specific court finding of sexual abuse or exploitation or physical abuse in a dependency action under RCW 13.34.040 or in a domestic relations action under Title 26 RCW. In the case of vulnerable adults, civil adjudication means a specific court finding of abuse or financial exploitation in a protection proceeding under chapter 74.34 RCW. It does not include administrative proceedings. The term "civil adjudication" is further limited to court findings that identify as the perpetrator of the abuse a named individual, over the age of eighteen years, who was a party to the dependency or dissolution proceeding or was a respondent in a protection proceeding in which the finding was made and who contested the allegation of abuse or exploitation.
 - (4) "Conviction record" means "conviction record" information as defined in RCW 10.97.030(3) relating to a crime against children or other persons committed by either an adult or a juvenile. It does not include a conviction for an offense that has been the subject of an expungement, pardon, annulment, certificate of rehabilitation, or other equivalent procedure based on a finding of the rehabilitation of the person convicted, or a conviction that has been the subject of a pardon, annulment, or other equivalent procedure based on a finding of innocence. It does include convictions for offenses for which the defendant received a deferred or suspended sentence, unless the record has been expunged according to law.
- (5) "Crime against children or other persons" means a conviction of any of the following offenses: Aggravated murder; first or second degree murder; first or second degree kidnaping; first, second, or third degree assault; first, second, or third degree assault of a child; first, second, or third degree rape; first, second, or third degree rape of a child; first or second degree robbery; first degree arson; first degree burglary; first or second degree manslaughter;

- 1 first or second degree extortion; indecent liberties; incest; vehicular
- 2 homicide; first degree promoting prostitution; communication with a
- 3 minor; unlawful imprisonment; simple assault; sexual exploitation of
- 4 minors; first or second degree criminal mistreatment; child abuse or
- 5 neglect as defined in RCW 26.44.020; first or second degree custodial
- 6 interference; malicious harassment; first, second, or third degree
- 7 child molestation; first or second degree sexual misconduct with a
- 8 minor; first or second degree rape of a child; patronizing a juvenile
- 9 prostitute; child abandonment; promoting pornography; selling or
- 10 distributing erotic material to a minor; custodial assault; violation
- 11 of child abuse restraining order; child buying or selling;
- 12 prostitution; felony indecent exposure; criminal abandonment; or any of
- 13 these crimes as they may be renamed in the future.
- 14 (6) "Crimes relating to financial exploitation" means a conviction
- 15 for first, second, or third degree extortion; first, second, or third
- 16 degree theft; first or second degree robbery; forgery; or any of these
- 17 crimes as they may be renamed in the future.
- 18 (7) "Disciplinary board final decision" means any final decision
- 19 issued by a disciplining authority under chapter 18.130 RCW or the
- 20 secretary of the department of health for the following businesses or
- 21 professions:
- 22 (a) Chiropractic;
- 23 (b) Dentistry;
- 24 (c) Dental hygiene;
- 25 (d) Massage;
- 26 (e) Midwifery;
- 27 (f) Naturopathy;
- 28 (g) Osteopathy;
- 29 (h) Physical therapy;
- 30 (i) Physicians;
- 31 (j) Practical nursing;
- 32 (k) Registered nursing; and
- 33 (1) Psychology.
- 34 "Disciplinary board final decision," for real estate brokers and
- 35 salespersons, means any final decision issued by the director of the
- 36 department of licensing for real estate brokers and salespersons.
- 37 (8) "Unsupervised" means not in the presence of:
- 38 (a) Another employee or volunteer from the same business or
- 39 organization as the applicant; or

- 1 (b) Any relative or guardian of any of the children or 2 developmentally disabled persons or vulnerable adults to which the 3 applicant has access during the course of his or her employment or 4 involvement with the business or organization.
- 5 (9) "Vulnerable adult" means "vulnerable adult" as defined in 6 chapter 74.34 RCW, except that for the purposes of requesting and 7 receiving background checks pursuant to RCW 43.43.832, it shall also 8 include adults of any age who lack the functional, mental, or physical 9 ability to care for themselves.
- 10 (10) "Financial exploitation" means the illegal or improper use of 11 a vulnerable adult or that adult's resources for another person's 12 profit or advantage.
- 13 (11) "Agency" means any person, firm, partnership, association, 14 corporation, or facility which receives, provides services to, houses 15 or otherwise cares for vulnerable adults.
- 16 **Sec. 13.** RCW 10.97.030 and 1990 c 3 s 128 are each amended to read 17 as follows:
- 18 For purposes of this chapter, the definitions of terms in this 19 section shall apply.
- "Criminal history record information" means information 20 contained in records collected by criminal justice agencies, other than 21 courts, on individuals, consisting of identifiable descriptions and 22 23 notations of arrests, detentions, indictments, informations, or other 24 formal criminal charges, and any disposition arising therefrom, 25 including sentences, correctional supervision, and release. includes information contained in records maintained by or obtained 26 from criminal justice agencies, other than courts, which records 27 provide individual identification of a person together with any portion 28 29 of the individual's record of involvement in the criminal justice system as an alleged or convicted offender, except: 30
- 31 (a) Posters, announcements, or lists for identifying or 32 apprehending fugitives or wanted persons;
- 33 (b) Original records of entry maintained by criminal justice 34 agencies to the extent that such records are compiled and maintained 35 chronologically and are accessible only on a chronological basis;
- 36 (c) Court indices and records of public judicial proceedings, court 37 decisions, and opinions, and information disclosed during public 38 judicial proceedings;

- (d) Records of traffic violations which are not punishable by a 1 2 maximum term of imprisonment of more than ninety days;
- 3 (e) Records of any traffic offenses as maintained by the department 4 of licensing for the purpose of regulating the issuance, suspension, revocation, or renewal of drivers' or other operators' licenses and pursuant to RCW 46.52.130 ((as now existing or hereafter amended));
- 7 (f) Records of any aviation violations or offenses as maintained by 8 the department of transportation for the purpose of regulating pilots 9 or other aviation operators, and pursuant to RCW 47.68.330 ((as now 10 existing or hereafter amended));
- 11 (g) Announcements of executive clemency.
- (2) "Nonconviction data" consists of all criminal history record 12 information relating to an incident which has not led to a conviction 13 or other disposition adverse to the subject, and for which proceedings 14 15 are no longer actively pending. There shall be a rebuttable presumption that proceedings are no longer actively pending if more 16 17 than one year has elapsed since arrest, citation, or service of warrant and no disposition has been entered. 18
- 19 (3) "Conviction record" means criminal history record information relating to an incident which has led to a conviction or other 20 disposition adverse to the subject. 21
- (4) "Conviction or other disposition adverse to the subject" means 22 any disposition of charges, except a decision not to prosecute, a 23 24 dismissal, or acquittal except when the acquittal is due to a finding 25 of not guilty by reason of insanity pursuant to chapter 10.77 RCW and 26 the person was committed pursuant to chapter 10.77 RCW: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That a dismissal entered after a period of probation, 27 suspension, or deferral of sentence shall be considered a disposition 28 29 adverse to the subject.
- 30 (5) "Criminal justice agency" means: (a) A court; or (b) a government agency which performs the administration of criminal justice 31 pursuant to a statute or executive order and which allocates a 32 33 substantial part of its annual budget to the administration of criminal 34 justice.
- 35 (6) "The administration of criminal justice" means performance of any of the following activities: Detection, apprehension, detention, 36 37 pretrial release, post-trial release, prosecution, adjudication, correctional supervision, or rehabilitation of accused persons or 38 39 criminal offenders. The term also includes criminal identification

- 1 activities and the collection, storage, dissemination of criminal 2 history record information, and the compensation of victims of crime.
- 3 (7) "Disposition" means the formal conclusion of a criminal 4 proceeding at whatever stage it occurs in the criminal justice system.
 - (8) "Dissemination" means disclosing criminal history record information or disclosing the absence of criminal history record information to any person or agency outside the agency possessing the information, subject to the following exceptions:
- 9 (a) When criminal justice agencies jointly participate in the 10 maintenance of a single record keeping department as an alternative to 11 maintaining separate records, the furnishing of information by that 12 department to personnel of any participating agency is not a 13 dissemination;
- (b) The furnishing of information by any criminal justice agency to another for the purpose of processing a matter through the criminal justice system, such as a police department providing information to a prosecutor for use in preparing a charge, is not a dissemination;
- 18 (c) The reporting of an event to a record keeping agency for the 19 purpose of maintaining the record is not a dissemination:
- 20 (d) To any public or private primary or secondary school principal.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 14. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 15. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

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